

Please amend the referenced application as follows:**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Cancel claims 22, 35 and 36.

Replace claim 1 with the following amended claim:

1. (Twice Amended) An oral pharmaceutical formulation comprising at least one bisphosphonate and one or more of an additive agent, said additive agent being present in an amount sufficient to provide an enhanced absorption of the bisphosphonate, and said additive being selected from the group consisting of
- a surfactant;
 - an ampholytic surfactant;
 - an anionic surfactant;
 - a cationic surfactant;
 - a bile salt;
 - a soap and a fatty acid, and a salt thereof;
 - a lipid with the exception of a medium chain glyceride or a mixture of medium chain glycerides;
 - an oil;
 - an enamine;
 - a chelating agent;
 - a phenothiazine;
 - a fatty acid derivative of carnitine or a peptide;
 - a substance selected from the group consisting of azone, concanavalin A, a phosphate and a phosphonate derivative;